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Re: New U.S. Patent Application  
DIGITAL CAMERA AND EXPOSURE CONTROL METHOD  
OF DIGITAL CAMERA  
By: Hiroaki KUBO  
Attorney Docket: 15162/02540

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing are the following papers relating to  
DIGITAL CAMERA AND EXPOSURE CONTROL METHOD OF DIGITAL CAMERA,  
Hiroaki KUBO, inventor:

- (1) Specification (31 pages, including 14 claims and an abstract);
- (2) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (6 pages);
- (3) Formal Drawings (8 sheets);
- (4) Transmittal letter (2 pages) with PrintEFS Patent Application Bibliographic Data (1 page);

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- (5) Transmittal letter (2 pages) with certified copy of priority document (33 pages);
- (6) Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages) with attached PTO-1449 form (1 page) and copies of the 5 cited references; and
- (7) Assignment (2 pages) of the invention to MINOLTA CO., LTD., with attached Recordation Form Cover Sheet (1 page) (in duplicate).

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Respectfully submitted,

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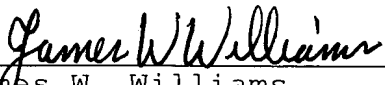
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Submitted herewith is bibliographic data (1 page) for  
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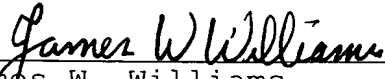
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